

# MEMORANDUM

VIENNA

NO. 18/SLX/1571

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TO

FROM

SUBJECT

REF

Gyenes

SLX/SLX/1571

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1. The attached cable from Washington reports a somewhat more conciliatory attitude on this specific operation into Hungary which we hope augurs well for the future of other similar operations. The cables referred to in Washington's reply are simply the cabled contents of your SLX/1571.

2. We recommend that you go ahead with your message to Gyenes through his sister without endeavoring to start the complicated chain of communications which Villan proposed. We are definitely in agreement with Washington that the communications channel contained in reference memorandum is far too complicated and involves too many people. Therefore, we request you take cognizance of contents in paragraph 5 of cable and indicate the day you receive this whether or not you favor the Budapest letter drop. If you do want a letter drop in Budapest, call Vienna immediately, refer to the number of this memorandum and say "I will not be able to come today". If, on the other hand, you feel that a Budapest letter box which does not bring Gyenes into contact with someone he knows is insufficient, we can discuss the alternative mentioned in paragraph 5 with Milica. My own feeling, however, gathered from your SLX/1571 is that the situation with Gyenes is so delicate that the final link must be a person at least who is known to him and this point Washington seems to have overlooked. We would appreciate your comments as soon as possible on the contents of this cable and move on that we can initiate action for the further development of this operation.

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6 June 1951

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